

## Message Text

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COMUSJAPAN YOKOTA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINT, JA

SUBJECT: LOCKHEED FIGURE STABBED

REF: TOKYO 3023

SUMMARY: EX-TRANSPORT MINISTER HASHIMOTO, UNDER INDICTMENT FOR LOCKHEED BRIBERY, WAS STABBED BY FORMER MENTAL PATIENT ON MARCH 5. ASSAILANT NOT CONNECTED WITH ANY POLITICAL ORGANIZATION. END SUMMARY.

1. WHILE FORMER TRANSPORTATION MINISTER TOMISABURO HASHIMOTO WAS CHATTING WITH FRIENDS IN COURTYARD OF IBARAKI, HOME DISTRICT, GODDESS OF MERCY TEMPLE AFTER SERVICES ON MARCH 5, KEIZO TOBITA, 25-YEAR OLD FARM WORKER, RAN UP AND STABBED HIM. TOBITA REPORTEDLY TOLD POLICE HE ATTACKED HASHIMOTO, WHOSE TRIAL FOR RECEIVING LOCKHEED PAYOFFS BEGAN ON JANUARY 31, BECAUSE HE WAS "DIRTY GUY." TOBITA USED JACKKNIFE WHICH INFLICTED SHALLOW WOUND IN UNCLASSIFIED

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CHEST. DOCTORS SAY HASHIMOTO, 76, WILL NEED ONE MONTH FOR RECOVERY.

2. COMMENT: POLICE SAY TOBITO, WHO HAD BEEN HOSPITALIZED FOR MENTAL DISORDER, HAS NO CONNECTION WITH POLITICAL ORGANIZATIONS. DESPITE ABSENCE OF DIRECT LINK, PRESS HAS SPECULATED THAT MARCH 3-4 INVASION OF

KEIDANREN HEADQUARTERS BY ARMED RIGHTISTS TOUCHED OFF  
THIS ATTACK AND MIGHT SPUR OTHER DISTURBED ELEMENTS  
INTO SIMILAR ACTS. (SANKEI, INCIDENTALLY, HAS REPORTED  
THAT EVIDENCE FOUND ON KEIDANREN INVADERS SUGGESTS THEY  
MAY HAVE HAD OTHER TARGETS, INCLUDING US AND USSR  
EMBASSIES, ON THEIR LIST.)  
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